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Mr. Gil Genn Managing Partner Capitol Hill Strategic Advocates, LLC 3 Church Circle, Suite 301 Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. Genn,

Thank you for appearing before the Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, to testify at the hearing entitled "Legislative Hearing on 17 FTC Bills."

Pursuant to the Rules of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the hearing record remains open for ten business days to permit Members to submit additional questions for the record, which are attached. The format of your responses to these questions should be as follows: (1) the name of the Member whose question you are addressing, (2) the complete text of the question you are addressing in bold, and (3) your answer to that question in plain text.

To facilitate the printing of the hearing record, please respond to these questions by the close of business on Monday, September 26, 2016. Your responses should be mailed to Giulia Giannangeli, Legislative Clerk, Committee on Energy and Commerce, 2125 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515 and e-mailed in Word format to Giulia.Giannangeli@mail.house.gov.

Thank you again for your time and effort preparing and delivering testimony before the Subcommittee.

Michael C. Burgess, M.D.

Chairman

Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade

cc: Jan Schakowsky, Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade

Attachment

Attachment - Additional Questions for the Record

The Honorable Paul Tonko

- 1. I think it is clear enough how profoundly unfair the use of ticket bots is from a consumer's perspective. From your experience, can you please elaborate on what problems bots present for those in the concert and sports ticket industry?
- 2. In your testimony, you mention the ticket bot legislation that was recently enacted in Maryland. Were there any particularly egregious examples of brokers using bots which prompted your coalition to push so hard for these changes?
- 3. In your opinion, do you think the civil sanctions in the BOTS Act would be enough of a deterrent to dissuade would-be dishonest brokers from violating the law?
- 4. So, to confirm, you believe that the BOTS Act in its current form would adequately address the concerns for both consumers and those from the entertainment industry?